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**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

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RESOLUTION 99-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
OPPOSING KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 99-17
TO CONVEY FORTY ACRES OF BOROUGH LAND TO
PRIVATE OWNERSHIP, ADJACENT TO THE HOMER BALING
FACILITY NEAR HOMER, ALASKA, AND THE PROPOSED
INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION.

WHEREAS, this land is within one mile of the Homer City limits; and

WHEREAS, the proposed land trade of NE NW 1/4, S15, T6S, R14W, S.M. Alaska for Tract B, Southeast Forty Subdivision, S25, T4S, R15W, SM Alaska and industrial classification of this forty acres of shareholders borough owned land has great significance to the citizens residing in and near the City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, conveyance and classification of this parcel into industrial may conflict with the long term vision of the City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, long range community planning is needed to determine the future character of the entrance to Homer at the top of the Baycrest Hill; and

WHEREAS, Goal 5.5 of the Borough Comprehensive Plan is to reduce conflicts arising from incompatible land uses in all areas outside of the incorporated cities for all shareholders of Kenai Peninsula Borough Land; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Borough's best interest to reduce conflicts and protect the public safety and welfare through proper land management of public resources, and this interest may not be upheld by exchange of the subject parcels; and

WHEREAS, it may be advisable to retain this undeveloped borough land buffer, adjacent to a solid waste site to eliminate and prevent expensive litigation or land use problems which have potential to arise; and

WHEREAS, the Homer City Council supports the recommendation of the Kachemak Bay Advisory Planning Commission that there be no classification or conveyance of property as outlined in Kenai Peninsula Borough Ordinance 99-17 to take place until all public processes involved in recruiting the Comprehensive Plan and land classification are complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska opposes Kenai Peninsula Borough Ordinance 99-17 to convey forty acres of Borough land to private ownership, adjacent to the Homer Bailing Facility near Homer, Alaska and the proposed Industrial classification; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Homer City Council:

Section 1. That Council finds that exchange NE NW 1/4, S15,T6S,R14W,S.M. Alaska for Tract B, Southeast Forty Subdivision, S25,T4S,R15W,SM Alaska is not in the best interest of the City of Homer based on the facts set forth in this Resolution: and

Section 2. That the Borough must proceed with the Comprehensive Plan, classification and possible zoning process before authorization of conveyance, trade or classification be negotiated on Borough lands of this magnitude and importance to the future of the City of Homer.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 10th day of May, 1999.

CITY OF HOMER

ATTEST:

JACK CUSHING, MAYOR

MARY L. CALHOUN, CMC/AE, CITY CLERK

Fiscal impact: Not defined.